

## Assabet River Rail Trail Grand Opening

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Dear Friend,

As you know, the **A**ssabet **R**iver **R**ail **T**rail is a multi user trail slated to be 12.5 miles long connecting the communities of Marlborough, Hudson, Stow, Maynard, and Acton.

The making of this trail has involved hundreds of individuals, and numerous local and state agencies. Funding for much of the project has been provided by the Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization with construction overseen by the Massachusetts Highway Department. Planning, which began more than 17 years ago was spearheaded by local volunteers, now organized as the Assabet River Rail Trail, Inc. Design was developed by EarthTech, Inc. of Concord. Construction on the first 5.8 mile segment of trail, through Marlborough and Hudson, began in the Fall of 2003.

Thus, on behalf of the City of Marlborough, Town of Hudson, ARRT, Inc., and the Executive Office of Transportation it is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the formal Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to open Phase 1 of the Assabet River Rail Trail.

**What:** ARRT Ribbon Cutting!

**When:** Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 12:30 PM

**Where:** At the Trail Tunnel *under* the I-290 Connector Road  
(access the trail by Crowley Dr. off Fitchburg St. in Marlboro)

**Who:** **Guest Speakers:** Congressman Meehan, Congressman McGovern, Secretary Cogliano, Commissioner Paiewonsky, Senator Resor, Representative Walrath, Representative LeDuc and others

We hope you can join us for this historic ribbon cutting and enjoy the other activities taking place throughout the day (see attached)! For more information call 978-562-9963 or visit us on the web:

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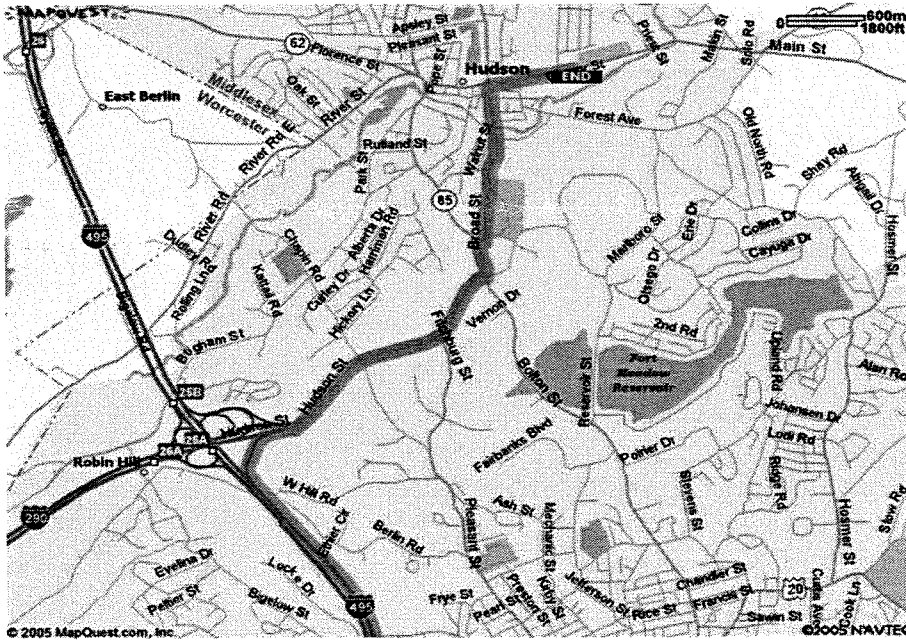
9:00-10:00	<b>Sale of used bicycles</b> priced from \$2 - \$50	Wilkins St. parking lot, Hudson
9:00-1:30	<b>Scavenger Hunt</b> – 5.8 miles in Marlboro & Hudson Pick up your “passport” on-line or at any trail event	Along the entire trail
9:30-11:30	<b>Bike Decorating &amp; Parade</b> , ages 2-12; moon walks; activities; prizes	Across from Main Street Cemetery in Hudson
10:00-12:00	<b>Art along the ARRT</b> - Public display of visual arts with live music	Vila Do Porto Blvd., Hudson Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
10:30-11:15	<b>Saturday Morning Discovery Series:</b> Mad Clover Celtic & Folk Music trio	Walker Building Gazebo - 255 Main Street, Marlboro Rain location: Inside the Walker Building
10:30-11:00	<b>History of Railroads &amp; Trail Development</b> by Craig Della Penna -Northeast Greenway Solutions	Caboose Site, Main St. Hudson Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
12:30-1:30	<b><u>Ribbon Cutting Ceremony featuring*:</u></b> <b>US Congressman Martin Meehan</b> <b>US Congressman James McGovern</b> <b>Secretary of Transportation, John Cogliano</b> <b>MassHighway Commissioner, Luisa Paiewonsky</b> <b>State Senator Pamela Resor</b> <b>State Representative Patricia Walrath</b> <b>State Representative Stephen LeDuc</b> <b>Marlborough Mayor Dennis Hunt</b> <b>Board of Selectmen Chairman, Joseph Durant</b> <b>Jon Delli Priscoli</b>	At the Trail Tunnel under the I-290 Connector Road, (accessible from Crowley Drive off of Fitchburg Street in Marlborough)  Directions and Parking Details are on the web and on back of this sheet  *Marlborough High School Jazz Band will also be playing selections of music
1:30	<b>River's Edge Community Band</b> Community Celebration with Food and Music	Assabet Valley Regional Tech. School (field adjacent to trail)
2:30	<b>Finale / Local Speakers / Scavenger Hunt Prizes</b> Give away items; Next Steps for the ARRT in Stow, Maynard, & Acton	Assabet Valley Regional Tech. School (field adjacent to trail)

*For final event details call 978-562-9963 or check:*



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## Driving Directions to Bicycle Parade:

- From  I-90 W / MASS PIKE / MASSACHUSETTS TURNPIKE (Portions toll).
- Merge onto  I-495 N via EXIT 11A toward MARLBOROUGH / N.H. - MAINE. 7.7 miles
- Merge onto HUDSON ST / MA-85 CONN E via EXIT  25A toward RT-85 / HUDSON. 1.7 miles
- Turn LEFT onto MA-85 / WASHINGTON ST. 0.1 miles
- Turn RIGHT onto BROAD ST. 0.9 miles
- Turn RIGHT onto MA-62 / MAIN ST.
- Event is ¼ mile up on the RIGHT. Park across from the Main Street Cemetery or along Vila Do Porto Blvd.



## Driving Directions to Ribbon Cutting Event:

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- Merge onto  I-495 N via EXIT 11A toward MARLBOROUGH / N.H. - MAINE. 7.7 miles
- Merge onto HUDSON ST / MA-85 CONN E via EXIT 25A toward RT-85 / HUDSON. 1.3 miles
- Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto FITCHBURG ST. 0.2 miles
- Park at Assabet Valley Regional Technical School off of Fitchburg St., or along Crowley Drive.

